# FARMERS CELLULAR TELEPHONE, INC. TTY REPORT July 15, 2002

### 1. Network infrastructure software development

Farmers Cellular Telephone, Inc. ("Farmers Cellular") utilizes Nortel Networks equipment to provide TDMA digital services. Farmers Cellular understands that Nortel Networks has completed its development of software and product tests to enable carriers using Nortel equipment to comply with the Commission's TTY requirements.

### 2. Handset development and testing plans

Farmers Cellular must rely on vendors of handsets used by its customers to develop TTY capability within those handsets. Farmers Cellular will test any customer's handset for TTY compliance upon request by a customer. Testing can then be performed with area PSAPs to ensure compatibility.

### 3. Beta testing and lab testing

Farmers Cellular must rely on Nortel Networks and handset vendors for initial conformance testing.

## 4. Release and general availability to carriers of network infrastructure software

Farmers Cellular understands that Nortel Networks= TTY software generic is commercially available.

### 5. Availability to carriers to full acceptance test units

Farmers Cellular understands that Nortel Networks has completed testing of its TTY solution. (See attached TDMA TTY/TDD Regulatory FAQ/RFI dated March 29, 2002.)

# 6. Efforts toward achieving digital wireless solution capability with enhanced TTY devices

Farmers Cellular understands that the TTY software solution commercially available at this time addresses Baudot type messages only. Other capabilities may be included later, after standards are adopted.

### 7. Carrier coordination of testing with PSAP

See response to item 2 above.

### 8. Carrier testing activities, including field testing, consumer end-to-end testing, and

### other necessary tests

Farmers Cellular understands that the Nortel Networks software generic necessary to comply with the Commission's TTY requirements is MTX10. Farmers Cellular has completed installation and testing of the Nortel Networks MTX10 software.

## 9. Retail availability of necessary consumer equipment.

At this time, it is unknown when the vendors of handsets used by Farmers Cellular's customers will offer a commercially available TTY solution.

### 10. Geographic scope of network infrastructure deployment

Farmers Cellular provides service to Dekalb, Cherokee, and Jackson County Alabama east of the Tennessee River. RSA AL2 B2

Respectfully Submitted,

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